IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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TAKATA CORPORATION et al.,

Debtors.

TAKATA MDL ACTION PLAINTIFFS,

Appellants,

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C. A. No. 17-1717-MWB

FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE, ELLIOTT ASSOCIATES, L.P., et al.,

Bankruptcy Case No. 17-11713 (BLS)

Appellees.

RECOMMENDATION

At Wilmington this 15th day of December, 2017.

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 2(a) of the Procedures to Govern Mediation of Appeals from the United States Bankruptcy Court for this District dated September 11, 2012, the court conducted an initial review, which included information from counsel through a letter dated December 13, 2017,¹ to determine the appropriateness of mediation in this matter;

WHEREAS, as a result of the above screening process, the issues involved in this case are not amenable to mediation and mediation at this stage would not be a productive exercise, a worthwhile use of judicial resources nor warrant the

¹ Consistent with the Court's standard Order regarding information related to mediation, this letter was not docketed.

expense of the process.

THEREFORE, IT IS RECOMMENDED that, pursuant to paragraph 2(a) Procedures to Govern Mediation of Appeals from the United States Bankruptcy Court for this District and 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), this matter be withdrawn from the mandatory referral for mediation and proceed through the appellate process of this Court. The parties were advised of their right to file objections to this Recommendation pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B), FED. R. CIV. P. 72(a) and D. DEL. LR 72.1.

In addition, the parties propose the following briefing schedule:

Appellants' Opening brief

January 2, 2018

Appellee's Answering brief

45 day after the Opening brief is filed

Appellants' Reply brief

14 days after the Answering brief is filed

Local counsel are obligated to inform out-of-state counsel of this Order.

/s/ Mary Pat Thynge

Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Mary Pat Thynge